College Retirees Association

Newsletter

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President's Message

I would like to welcome all new retirees to the College Retirees' Association and welcome back all our returning members.

Our Holiday Luncheon in December, 2022 was a well-attended event at the Croquet Club with many members who have moved from the area attending. It was a fun time to renew old acquaintances, meet new retirees, and share what we have been doing in an outside venue.

We recently had our May meeting on the Lake Worth Campus with a speaker from the Honors Flight which was well attended.

I was elected to be your President for another two years and Peggy Adams-King was elected as your Vice President. Diana Krause kindly volunteered to do our newsletter. Please share your travel and other experiences with her at dkrause1004@gmail.com to be placed in our newsletter.

I would like to thank Karen Lippe for being our Vice President for the past 4 years, getting speakers for our meetings, ideas of where to meet during the Covid-19 shutdown, and editor of our newsletter.

I would also like to thank Nancy Buhl for doing a wonderful job keeping us informed and acting in her dual role of Treasurer and Communications Coordinator.

Hope to see many of you at our October meeting.

~~ *Shirley Sullivan*

Nancy's Notes

Social Activities

The Artwork of Reuben Hale, Inc. museum would like to host our members, in small groups, to private showings.
Can you please respond to me with answers to the following questions?

1. Which month of June through December would you like to take a private tour?
2. Which day of the week would you prefer to do the tour on?

When we know how many would like to go and when, we can make arrangements with Irma Hale for the tour(s).
Send your responses to Nancy Buhl at buhln@palmbeachstate.edu
Thanks!

College Email Address & ID Retiree Badge

The college is now offering a college email address to each new retiree when they leave the college. Anyone seeking a College Email address, can contact HR or the Benefits Coordinator directly requesting one. Any College Email address that has been dormant for a period of one year will be deleted.

Members will still need to email me to request the ID Retiree Badge. Upon receipt of your request, I will submit it through to the Benefits Coordinator via an online form that was set up for me to use. No paper submissions are needed for the ID Badge.

ID Badges can be made up in the Campus Bookstores and can be used for the same benefits the current college employees enjoy with the approval of the requisite vendors.

Welcome New Members

Jean Arthur
Charles Blake
Claudette Grindley
Joan Hirschkorn
Laura McCadden
Helen Shub
Sharon Simmons
George Sullivan
Ashley Turner, Jr.

Dues are Due

Our membership year is May 1 to April 30 each year.

Recently, I have received checks from some members who paid for past years as well as our new year starting on May 1.

Please make your dues check of $15 or more payable to PBSC Retirees Association and mail it to me:

Nancy A. Buhl
730 West Rambling Drive
Wellington, FL 33414

Members we have lost during the past year

Homer Hand	2/22	Rosalie Morrissey	8/22
Nora Homan	2/22	Hugh Johnston	11/22
Helen Merkel	2/22	Joe Simplicio	11/22
Joanne Nikides	3/22	Sandra Richmond	3/23
Honey Duncan	5/22	Lauren Grant	3/23

Rest in Peace

Photos from our luncheon on May 5, 2023 featuring guest speaker, Larry Seales, and Honor Flight veterans with their sponsors on a trip to Washington DC to visit the memorials.

Honor Flight photos courtesy Dan O'Connell. He is in the center photo.

Member Highlights

Our long-awaited family Alaska cruise that had to be rebooked 5 times finally set sail last August. We were due to sail in August on the Grand Princess, the first cruise ship to be denied docking off the California coast due to Covid-19. Our cruise was canceled, then canceled several times more due to the pandemic, then again for a passenger in our group to attend a close friend's wedding. Finally, we set sail aboard the Majestic Princess on August 2022, for 10 days of an absolutely awesome vacation.

The best excursion was the conquering of Mendenhall Glacier via helicopter. Yes, that's me standing atop it with my ski poles raised in victory. The second-best excursion was seeing a big brown bear enter a stream to catch salmon for his lunch, consuming his catch, then moseying back into the woods from whence he came. We were just about a football field length away from this amazing sight! Our only disappointments were viewing just a glimpse of the Northern Lights from the bottom of dark clouds in Anchorage, and not being able to pan for gold in Skagway due to rockslides. A great trip overall!

~ ~ Nancy Buhl

Member Highlights…*continued*

Judy Ferguson and her husband, Malcom, are living comfortably near Nashville, TN and do some traveling. They enjoy spending time with their son, daughter, and three grand-daughters.

They spend time fishing and swimming on a nearby lake. This is a photo of a recent trip taken in Chattanooga!

~ ~ Judy Ferguson

I took my son and family on a Disney Cruise. It was still before most of the Covid-19 restrictions were lifted so my granddaughters really didn't truly get the Disney experience. They were unable to get close to the princesses and characters as they had to stand on a circle in front of them for pictures and masks were still required in certain areas. Hopefully we will get on another cruise soon now that Covid-19 restrictions are no longer in place. I'm also traveling up to Maryland in a couple of weeks to my oldest grandson's graduation.

~ ~ Shirley Sullivan

We would love to hear from you...

Have you been on an awesome vacation, enjoyed a great trip, spent a marvelous time with family on a special occasion? Then we would like to hear from you if you wish to share your travel and other experiences with us.

Email your story to Diana Krause at dkrause1004@gmail.com to include in our newsletter.

COLLEGE RETIREES ASSOCIATION (CRA)

MINUTES OF MAY 5, 2023

Location: Palm Beach State College – Central Campus
President's Dining Room, SCA 113

Self-Serve Luncheon was at 11:40 a.m.

The President, Shirley Sullivan called the CRA meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

Presentation by Larry Seale on Southeast Florida Honor Flight www.honorflightsefl.org

Mission Statement: Flying local WWII, Korean & Vietnam War Veterans to Washington, DC to visit the memorials built to honor their service and sacrifices.

Philosophy: Since America felt it was important to build a memorial to the service and the ultimate sacrifice of the veterans, the Honor Flight Network believes it is equally important that they actually get to visit and experience their memorials.

Financial Information: When you donate to the Southeast Florida Honor Flight, your money goes to flying the veterans. The organization is entirely volunteer with no paid employees so that 100% of all donations go towards the mission. All donations to the 501(c) (3) non-profit organization are tax deductible.
***Thank You Larry for that information.**

A **Self-Introduction** of the members present.

A **"Moment of Silence"** due to the loss of members.

Treasurers Report by Nancy Buhl, a balance of $2795.84 as of this meeting date.

October 21, 2022 minutes had previously been sent out by email and approved by those in attendance at the May 5th meeting.

Diana Krause has volunteered to do the CRA Newsletter. If you have anything you would like to place in the Newsletter you can contact Diana at dkrause1004@gmail.com

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October 2023 meeting date - TBA

Meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Susan Goehring, Secretary